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Subject:

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Cliff Hou et al.

A METHODOLOGY TO OPTIMIZE HIER-ARCHICAL CLOCK SKEW BY CLOCK DELAY COMPENSATION

ASSOCIATE POWER OF ATTORNEY

I hereby appoint Billy Knowles, registration number 42,752, as my associate attorney in this case. His telephone number is (845) 331-3866.

Please continue to direct all correspondence in this case to the undersigned attorney.

Respectfully submitted,

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